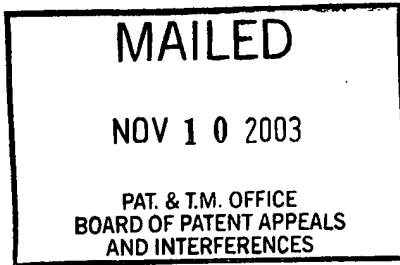


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES



Ex parte DAVID TIGHE
and
ANDREW WILLIAMS

Application No. 09/582,760

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 24, 2003. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

A paper entitled "FURTHER SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF" was filed June 10, 2003 (no paper number given) and has been matched with this application at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. This Supplemental Reply Brief needs to be considered

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by the Primary Examiner and entered onto the Contents page of the application file. A communication notifying appellants of the Primary Examiner's decision is required.

In addition, an Order Returning Undocketed Appeal was mailed July 15, 2003 (Paper No. 20) which requested that the examiner consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed June 30, 2000 (no paper No.), physically enter this paper onto the Contents page of the application file, and notify appellants regarding the Primary Examiner's decision of the IDS. It should be noted that the IDS has now been considered, although the paper still has not been entered onto the Contents page of the application file and it is not apparent whether appellants have been notified regarding the Primary Examiner's decision.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner:

1. for entry of the "FURTHER SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF" filed June 10, 2003 onto the Contents page of the application;
2. for consideration of the "FURTHER SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF" filed June 10, 2003, and written notification to appellants regarding the Primary Examiner's decision;

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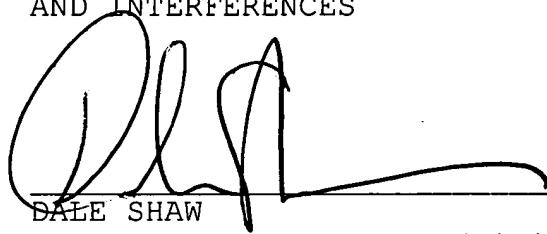
3. For entry of the IDS filed June 30, 2000 onto the Contents page of the application file;

4. for appropriate notification to appellants regarding the Primary Examiner's decision of the IDS filed June 30, 2000; and

5. for such further action as may be appropriate.

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